

DYB & DYS Legal Residence Policy

Definition and Acceptable Supporting Documentation

Definition of Domicile (Legal Residence): A *domicile*, also referred to as *legal residence*, is the place a person regards as their true, fixed, and permanent home. It is where they intend to reside indefinitely and return to whenever absent. Establishing a domicile requires both physical presence in the location and the intent to remain there permanently.

Indicators of Domicile:

Several forms of documentation can help establish or confirm a person's domicile, including:

- **Lease or Rental Agreements:** Evidence of primary residence, especially if the document includes the individual's name, address, and duration of tenancy.
- **Rental or Mortgage Records:** Should reflect the name(s) of the parent/guardian and include the address and term of residence.
- **Property Deeds:** Ownership of real estate suggests long-term commitment to the location.
- **Bank Statements:** Maintaining financial accounts tied to the area may serve as supporting evidence.
- **Driver's License or State ID:** Issued by the state of residence, this serves as official proof of domicile.
- **Voter Registration:** Registering to vote and participating in elections in the jurisdiction signals a long-term residential intent.
- **Custodial Documentation:** Legal documentation confirming custody rights.
- **Healthcare or Insurance Correspondence:** Letters or documents showing the child's name and home address, such as appointment reminders or policy information.
- **Government Correspondence:** Official mail from tax authorities, social services, or other agencies that includes the name and address of the parent or guardian.
- **School Records:** For dependents, enrollment records as of January 1st of the current season that list a home address may be acceptable.
- **Utility Bills:** Utility bills may help support a claim of residence, additional documentation may be required.

Note: All documentation should be dated prior to the date of the league's registration and clearly show the name and address of the individual(s) involved to be considered valid evidence of domicile.